

REMARKS

Any fees that may be due in connection with filing this paper, or during the entire pendency of this application, may be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Claims 1 - 79 are pending. Claims 22, 60, 64 and 78 are amended herein to correct minor grammatical errors. Claim 22 is amended to change the plural form of the word "wells" to the singular "well" so that there is agreement with the article, "a", such that the phrase now reads as "...comprises a well..." Claims 60, 64 and 78 are amended herein to correct the form of the word "identifying" to the verb "identify" such that the phrase now reads as "...to thereby identify the molecules..." No new matter has been added.

The specification is amended to correct obvious typographical, spelling and grammatical errors. The amendments to the paragraph on page 1, line 13 to page 2, line 10 in the specification, replaces the attorney docket numbers of the application with the now-available application serial numbers; for example the phrase "...attorney dkt nos. 25885-1754 and 25885-1754PC..." is replaced by -10/699,088 and International application Serial No. PCT/US03/34821- and "...U.S. application Serial No. attorney dkt. no. 25885-1759PC..." with -International application serial no. PCT/US03/34693- and "...Nos. attorney dkt. no. 25885-1755 and 1755PC..." with -No. 10/699,113 and International application Serial No. PCT/US03/34747-. These application serial numbers have been added to accurately reflect the application that is identified by each Attorney Docket number and incorporate the now available U.S. application and International application serial numbers.

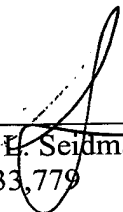
Numerous amendments to the specification seek to correct the use of registered trademarks. These amendments find basis in the requirement to appropriately denote the proprietary nature of such registered trademarks and to distinguish them from other common descriptive nouns.

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Entry of this amendment and examination of the application are respectfully requested.
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